VSP Public Comment

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Mr. McDannold,

I wish to have entered into the public record on voting systems certification the attached document, which in turn references numerous articles, detailing the

cost comparisons for available voting system alternatives that the current VSPP round of review has not given due consideration.

The articles provide examples of other state and county jurisdictions around the nation that have examined the continuing operations costs of DRE systems

that show them to be far more expensive than optical scan or ballot marking device solutions, or hand-counted paper ballot systems, that are not only the least expensive but also the most

secure and trustworthy voting technology ever developed.

Honest, public elections cannot be conducted by private corporations using secret software to count our votes.

Sincerely,

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